COUNCIL BRIEFS

June 16, 2017

Weekly Recycling begins July 1st: The Town of West Hartford is pleased to announce that weekly recycling will begin July 1, 2017. Recycling will be collected every week on the same day as regular trash collection.

Beginning July 1st, Paine's will start collecting any extra carts from residents with more than one recycling cart and will begin weekly recycling.

Residents are reminded to place carts out before 6 AM on collection day, and make sure carts are at least 2 feet apart.

Motor Vehicle Taxes Bills delayed: Due to the uncertainty concerning possible legislation which could result in a change to the uniform state-wide motor vehicle mill rate, the mailing of the motor vehicle tax bills will be delayed until such time as final legislation is adopted by the State of Connecticut.

As soon as information is available, including the mailing date and due date of the motor vehicle tax bills, that information will be posted on the Town's home page, and/or by calling the Tax Office phone line: (860) 561-7474. You will have a one-month grace period from the due date to pay the bill without interest.

WHPD warns, Lock your doors! The West Hartford Police Department is investigating approximately 30 burglaries into vehicles and garages all transpiring at night on June 7, 2017. There was also one overnight house burglary where suspects entered a house through an unlocked door and were able to make off with a 55" TV and other electronics. The residents were home and sleeping when this occurred. Please lock your homes and vehicles!

Time to renew your dog's license: The Town Clerk's Office mailed postcard reminders to over 3,000 dog owners, urging owners to make their pets legal during the month of June. All dogs over 6 months of age must be registered and receive a dog tag annually. The numbered

tag serves as identification for any pet that may wander away from home. The annual cost for dog licenses is \$19.00 for unaltered animals and \$8.00 for neutered or spayed animals.

Report A Problem with Mobile 311: Have you seen a light out, a pot hole, a broken curb or sidewalk or have snow plow damage to your property? Report it with DPW's Mobile 311. Follow these steps:

- 1. Click on 'Report A Problem,' found on the Town's homepage under 'How Can We Help You?'
- 2. Create an account by entering your email, name, phone number and password.
- 3. Enter the location of the problem by clicking on the map or entering the address.
- 4. Now select Create Work Request.
- 5. From the drop-down menu, select a concern
- 6. Add any important information.

Mobile 311 will allow DPW to respond faster to community issues and concerns.

Volunteer Tutor needed at HANOC: Do you want to make a difference in a child's life? Become a Volunteer Tutor at the Hillcrest Area Neighborhood Outreach Center. A tutor is needed from July 3rd to July 27th, 8:45 AM to 11:45 AM, Monday through Thursday (closed July 4th).

To learn more about the position and to apply, please contact: <u>Candace Czajkowski</u>, Volunteer Coordinator, (860) 561-7564.

Outdoor Pools open June 24: The outdoor pools at Kennedy, Fernridge, Eisenhower and Beachland parks will open daily for public swimming beginning Saturday, June 24 at 1PM. Click here for information on swim times, swim lessons, pool passes and fees.

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